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SUBJECT: First Staff Officers Meeting on Rules of Procedure of the Military Armistice Commission and the Construction of Facilities required in the Demilitarized Zone by the Military Armistice Commission and the Agencies established by the Armistice.

Representatives Present:

UNITED NATIONS - COL J K Heber, USA, Senior Staff Officer; COL S L Motcalfe, USA, COL E J Brugger, USA, Staff Officers; Interpreters; and Stenographers.

COMMUNISTS: - - COL Huang Cheng Chi, CPV, Senior Staff Officer; COL Lee Yong, NKA, Staff Officer; Interpreters; and Stenographers.

Meeting convened at 1500 hours.

COL HUANG: I and Colonel Lee Yong are appointed by the Senior Member of our side to discuss questions concerning the solution of the dispatch of the Joint Observer Teams.

The questions which we should immediately settle are: First, the question of the composition of the Joint Observer Teams.

On July 26th we made a proposal that each Joint Observer Team be composed of three (3) field grade officers, with assistant personnel not to exceed thirty (30) persons.

We consider that after the Armistice becomes effective, there is a lot of work for the Joint Observer Teams to undertake within the Demilitarized Zone. From past experience, investigations should have to be conducted by a comparatively big number of personnel, if there is any investigations to be done. Therefore, we consider that it is appropriate for each side to provide thirty (30) assistant personnel. I would like to explain it again.

COL WEBER: May I interrupt just a moment?

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COL HUANG: Please go on.

COL WEBER: It was our understanding that this staff conference would consider the topic of rules of procedure for the Military Armistice Commission and construction of facilities for the Military Armistice Commission.

It was our understanding that the topic of Joint Observer Teams would be discussed by the Secretaries, of which our representative is Captain Coleman. Accordingly, we sent our personnel who are prepared to discuss the technical differences to Captain Coleman's meeting which is now meeting in the big building. Captain Coleman is prepared to discuss this topic and our side suggests that this particular topic be reserved for discussion with him and that your side and Captain Coleman be notified accordingly.

COL HUANG: We are appointed to discuss questions concerning the Joint Observer Teams. As to the question of rules of procedure of the Military Armistice Commission, and the construction of the headquarters, the Senior Member of our side proposed at the first meeting of the Military Armistice Commission, that they be referred to the Secretaries of both sides for discussion.

We consider that the questions of the Joint Observer Teams are rather pressing. Since your side has not been authorized to discuss this question, I propose that we recess and that the Secretaries of both sides immediately make arrangements thereafter.

COL WEBER: Our side is ready to discuss the question of the Joint Observer Teams. At the meeting of the Military Armistice Commission this morning, our side indicated that Captain

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COL WEBER:  
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Coleman would be our representative for that topic. He is in place in the big building with the necessary technical personnel ready to discuss the technical differences and come to an agreement with your side if these technical differences can be mutually agreed on.

Our side agrees with your side that the settlement of the topics you proposed to discuss is important. Our side is prepared to discuss that in the big building at the present time. At the Military Armistice Commission meeting this morning, it was proposed that a staff officers' committee composed of myself, representing our side and, I understood, two (2) officers named by your side, would meet in this meeting this afternoon to discuss the two topics of rules of procedure and construction of the Military Armistice Commission facilities. Our side is ready to discuss those two topics now and Captain Coleman of our side is ready to discuss the topic of the Joint Observer Teams.

COL HUANG: As to the question of the rules of procedure of the Military Armistice Commission and the question of the construction of the headquarters, our side is ready to discuss with your side, too. But it is our understanding that these questions should be discussed by the Secretaries of both sides. Since both sides have different understandings toward the arrangements of these two meetings, I propose that we now recess and that the Secretaries of both sides immediately make arrangements thereof.

COL WEBER: As our side understands it, your proposal is that we make arrangements so that the two meetings can continue.

COL HUANG: As to the arrangement of these two meetings, I think that the

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COL HUANG: Secretaries of both sides are able to reach an agreement.  
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COL WEBER: How long do you propose to recess?

COL HUANG: We can meet again as soon as the Secretaries of both sides reach an agreement on the arrangements of these meetings.

COL WEBER: I propose that we recess for a half hour and notify the Secretaries of the situation. It is very important to your side and our side that these discussions continue, as the discussion with reference to the Joint Observer Teams should go on this afternoon with Captain Coleman of our side who is prepared to discuss that topic. We are prepared to discuss the other topics that were agreed on at the Commission meeting this morning.

COL HUANG: Inasmuch as these two meetings are to be arranged by the Secretaries of both sides, we consider that we had better leave the arrangement as to the time to them. I think that the Secretaries of both sides can reach an agreement very soon on the question of the arrangements of a meeting including the question of time.

COL WEBER: The arrangements for the meeting were made by the Military Armistice Commission at this morning's meeting. Our side does not believe that we have the power to change an arrangement agreed on by the Military Armistice Commission. Our side believes that we should adjust this apparent misunderstanding without having to take the matter before the Commission and before the Commission meets again.

COL HUANG: As to the contents of the discussion of the two meetings, both sides have reached an agreement at the first meeting of the Military Armistice Commission. We are not trying to change the contents of these two meetings. It is simply

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COL HUANG: because both sides have a different understanding, that it is necessary to rearrange personnel who should attend the meetings. This question can be speedily agreed to by the Secretaries of both sides. I propose that we recess and leave the arrangements to the Secretaries.

COL WEBER: The matter of the Joint Observer Teams should be speedily settled, as the differences are largely technical. Captain Coleman and his specialists are prepared to discuss that issue with your side this afternoon. There should be no occasion for an adjournment of a meeting on this topic. Is your side prepared to discuss this topic with Captain Coleman this afternoon?

COL HUANG: According to my understanding, Captain Coleman is holding a meeting with Colonel Ju Yen of our side. We are now prepared to discuss questions concerning the Joint Observer Teams just as we proposed to do so at the outset of the meeting. If the personnel of your side for discussing the questions of the Joint Observer Teams are ready to attend immediately, we can start discussions right now.

COL WEBER: Then I suggest that we recess for one half hour and return if they are prepared to take up this discussion where your side and our side have their Joint Observer Team representatives and ascertain when and where our side can meet your side for a discussion of the topic of the Rules of Procedure and Construction of the Facilities for the Military Armistice Commission.

COL HUANG: We agree.

Meeting recessed at 1600 hours.

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SUBJECT: Second Staff Officers' Meeting on Rules of Procedure for the Military Armistice Commission and the Construction of Facilities Required in The Demilitarized Zone by the Military Armistice Commission and the Agencies Established by the Armistice.

Representatives Present:

UNITED NATIONS - COL J K Weber, USA, Senior Staff Officer; COL S L Metcalfe, USA, COL E J Brugger, USA, Staff Officers; Interpreters; and Stenographers.

COMMUNISTS - - - COL Ju Yen, KKA, Senior Staff Officer; COL Hsui Ming, CCF, Staff Officer, Interpreters; and Stenographers.

Meeting reconvened at 1515 hours.

COL WEBER:

At a staff officers' meeting on 22 July 1953 attended by our side and your side, our side presented to your side our proposal for the construction of facilities of the Military Armistice Commission. Your side informed our side at such meeting that your side would let our side know your views after your side had made a study of our proposal. Our side would like to be informed by your side if your side has made a study of our proposal. If so, our side would like to be informed on the views of your side.

COL JU:

I have a statement to make.

On 22 July your side presented a proposal for the construction of the Headquarters, Military Armistice Commission. We made a study of your proposal. Today I am going to present to your side our views as to these questions. As I stated, the questions must be satisfactorily settled. This is because we think that this is extremely necessary for the Neutral Nations invited by each side. We fully agree to your first proposal that each side shall erect and maintain those

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COL JU:  
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facilities required by the members of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission from the nations nominated by side. Your side shall provide for the contingents from Switzerland and Sweden, and our side shall provide for the contingents from Czechoslovakia and Poland. All facilities for the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission in the vicinity of Headquarters, Military Armistice Commission, shall be furnished and maintained in a share and share alike basis. As to these questions, when we were discussing the text of the Armistice Agreement, Colonel Darrow made a statement. He said that our side should be responsible for Poland and Czechoslovakia, and your side should be responsible for Switzerland and Sweden; and as for India, he said he would ask the superiors first and then he would answer. Here I will question. As for the principle of share and share alike, we would like to know on the basis of what Col Darrow said whether expenses for India alone should be jointly shared. As for the issue of the method, I would like to have your explanations.

As to the third question, conference tents would be used jointly, that is, by contingents of personnel from both sides, shall be erected and maintained on a share and share alike basis. In other words, our side and your side shall provide and maintain an equal number of such tents for the Neutral Nations and for the Military Armistice Commission and its agencies. I will ask a question. You talked about the tents to be used jointly; I would like to know whether you mean the tents or any other building. Fourthly,

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COL JU:  
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each side shall erect and maintain all facilities required solely for personnel of each side who are working for the Military Armistice Commission or its agencies. We fully agree to this.

Fifthly, he said personnel and equipment necessary to perform and construct all facilities shall be allowed freedom of movement to and from their respective sides and within the construction area until construction is completed. We agree to this.

Sixthly, you said in the formal text that the side making the facility shall be awarded the custody and it will be removed by the side effecting installation if desired. We agree to this.

Seventhly, he said that in order to hasten the work of construction, it might be started immediately upon the signing of the Armistice Agreement. We agree to this.

So much for the time being.

COL WEBER: Your side could help our side if you could inform us of the particular meeting you made reference to when you spoke of the statements by Colonel Darrow. In order to avoid misunderstanding, can you tell us the day on which the meeting was held to which you refer so that we can understand your question.

COL JU: It was a staff officers' meeting discussing the text of the Armistice Agreement. If you look up in the record of a meeting around June 15, this year, you will find it.

COL WEBER: Our side thinks that information will be quite helpful. Our side will note that question and seek to give your side a very early answer.

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Our side presently contemplates that it will erect tents for the conference meetings. If your side wishes to know the nature of the tents our side proposes to build, our side will be glad to furnish your side with such information. Does that answer your question?

COL JU.

Later when we exchange our views with more full and concrete information in blueprint and explanations, I want to know more about it. The explanation you made today is not sufficient for my question. I want to discuss some other issues. I now, commenting on your statement about the camps, am going to present our views. Your side said we would need such vast space of about thirty (30) acres for the headquarters and subordinate agencies of the Military Armistice Commission. As to the buildings planned by both sides, we haven't yet presented our concrete plans on the table, so we do not know yet how large actually this space will require. However, our side also considers that it will require a vast area as your side stated. In choosing such a place your side has given up a place in which negotiations have been going on for two years and a place which is well known to the whole world and on which many buildings have already been erected. Your side presented the view of selecting another place. Our side is going to present the following views as to the proposal presented by your side.

In maintaining the headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission and the shelters and offices of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission invited by both sides and the

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COL JU: shelters and offices of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission invited by both sides, from now on we have the safeguard of security, the communications, and the support etc., for them, and now our side is going to determine the area as shown on the map centering around the Military Demarcation Line, especially centering around Panmunjom, including the south and north Demilitarized Zone as shown on the map. Now I hope you will have a look at the map. I will explain with the map. (Looked at map) This is the northern boundary of the Demilitarized Zone on our side. (Points to maps again) This is the boundary of the Demilitarized Zone on your side. (Points to map) From now on, for the security of the Neutral Nations personnel, as well as the headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the civil police in the Demilitarized Zone alone will not suffice. Therefore, as is the case of the present security guards in Panmunjom, after we have defined the areas, both sides must deploy equal numbers of security guards. These blue lines are the lines indicating the lines within which the Neutral Nations and the Military Armistice Commission will have their headquarters, and at the same time within the area the security guards will perform their duties. Our proposal is that centering around the Military Demarcation Line, the Neutral Nations invited by our side should have their camps in our part of the Demilitarized Zone and the Neutral Nations invited by your side should have their camps in your part of the Demilitarized Zone

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COL JU:  
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respectively. As to the conference room of the Military Armistice Commission, it is the views of our side that it should be constructed in Panmunjom for the reason as I have mentioned at the beginning.

COL WEBER:

How many acres does your proposed side contain?

COL JU:

We consider that the area we propose includes an area for the headquarters of the Neutral Nations of both sides and the headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission can be erected.

COL WEBER:

Do you know the number of acres that is in the area?

COL JU:

I think we can calculate on the map. It should be limited to the space alone. I wish your side would make comment on our proposal.

COL WEBER:

Has your side any further proposals to make which we could consider at one time?

COL JU:

Our side is going to erect buildings for the Neutral Nations invited by our side. We are not going to use any tents. Should the area in question be determined, we can start even tomorrow. As to the joint office, if we reach a decision, the material and personnel would be borne jointly by both sides. We can furnish them even tomorrow.

COL WEBER:

What type of materials do you have in mind when you say you can furnish them tomorrow?

COL JU:

Under the circumstances that both sides have not yet reached agreement, I cannot say anything specific, but what I actually mean is that we can furnish our share of materials which both sides will jointly provide and only within the limits of our share.



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COL WEBER: Where do you propose building the building of the  
Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission?

COL JU: At Panmunjom.

COL WEBER: Very well, can you indicate the general area that  
you propose at Panmunjom on your map?

COL JU: I think, if your side agrees in principle to the  
division of the area proposed by our side, the incongruous  
issues can be decided upon after we survey the terrain  
features and agree upon the specific details. If necessary,  
and if you require, we can present the blueprint.

COL WEBER: Should not the Neutral Nations be consulted concerning  
their wishes with preference to their office building?

COL JU: Our views are the same as yours. On the question of  
the camp of the Neutral Nations invited by our side, they  
do not understand the concrete terrain conditions and the  
conditions of the circumstances, and if we fully and  
satisfactorily explain our views to them, I don't think  
they will not accept our views. If your side wishes,  
I also propose that we jointly survey the terrain of this  
area personally. That must not necessarily be today.

COL WEBER: Our side proposes that we recess until 1700 hours.

I would like to ask one more question. You said  
that you had a blueprint available?

COL JU: We said we would prepare it. If the decisive questions  
cannot be settled within today, I propose  
that we recess until tomorrow.

COL WEBER: What time?

COL JU: Any time after the main session.

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COL WEBER: I think your proposal is a good one, I will accept  
it. We will notify the security officer of the proposed  
time for the meeting tomorrow.

(Meeting recessed at 1645 hours.)

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THIRD STAFF OFFICERS' MEETING ON RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES REQUIRED IN THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE BY THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION AND THE AGENCIES ESTABLISHED BY THE ARMISTICE, HELD AT PANMUNJOM, KOREA

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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UNITED NATIONS:

COL J K Weber, USA  
COL S L Metcalfe, USA  
COL E J Brugger, USA

KOREAN PEOPLE'S ARMY  
CHINESE PEOPLE'S VOLUNTEERS:

COL Ju Yon, KPA  
COL Hsu Ming, CPV

Meeting convened at 1600 hours.

COL WEBER

I have a statement to make.

Our side has studied the minutes of the Staff Officers Meeting on the construction of facilities required in the Demilitarized Zone by the Military Armistice Commission and the agencies established by the Armistice Agreement. We are in agreement that each side shall erect and maintain those facilities required by members of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission nominated by its side. Your side shall furnish the facilities for the contingencies from Czechoslovakia and Poland. Our side shall furnish the facilities for the contingencies from Switzerland and Sweden. All facilities for the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission shall be erected and maintained in the vicinity of the headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission. We are in agreement on that matter.

Your side shall be responsible for the facilities of Czechoslovakia and Poland. Our side will be responsible for the facilities of Switzerland and Sweden. We are in agreement on that matter.

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Your side asked a question concerning the sharing of the expenses of India. Our side suggests that this question be suspended at this point and be treated separately in this meeting. We have not reached an agreement on our proposal that the conference tents be shared equally. With reference to the conference tents, our side believes that the conference tent should be erected on the Demarcation Line. Our side has proposed to your side a site for these conference tents. Our side has indicated to your side that it is willing to disclose to your side the type of tents our side proposes for conference tents. Our side has no objection to disclosing to your side the type of tents our side proposes for the conference tents.

We are in agreement that each side shall erect and maintain all facilities required solely for personnel of each side who are working for the Military Armistice Commission and its agencies.

We are in agreement that the personnel and equipment necessary to perform construction of the facilities shall be allowed freedom of movement to and from the respective side and within construction areas until construction is completed.

We are in agreement that upon dissolution of the Military Armistice Commission, all facilities shall revert to the custody of, and be removed by the side effecting the installation, if so desired.

We are in agreement that the work may be started immediately.

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Our side proposed to your side an area for the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission and the agencies established by the Military Armistice Commission. Your side has proposed an area that is larger than the area proposed by our side, but it includes the area proposed by our side. Our side has no objection to the area proposed by your side and agrees in principle to the area.

Your side has proposed a survey of the terrain, after which issues to be decided may be considered. Specifically, your side proposed that if necessary your side would present a blueprint. Your side proposed that if necessary, both sides start to survey the terrain promptly.

Our side agrees in principle that a survey of the terrain should be made. Our side believes that the survey should be undertaken by technical personnel who are qualified for such work. Our side is prepared to name a representative and to start this survey promptly, if your side agrees with our side. Our side submits the name of Colonel Raymond W. Briggs. The Secretaries can notify the surveyors as to the time and place of meeting and departure.

With reference to your question whether the expenses of India should be jointly shared, our side wishes to point out that India has been agreed upon and invited by both sides; and as a representative for both sides, India might well question having the expenses paid by one side. Our side suggests that the expenses of India be shared and shared alike by both sides.



COL JU:

I have noted your statement.

I am going to raise some questions as to your statement.

You said your side agreed to the area we proposed yesterday. Then you mean your side considers this area decided upon by both sides as the area of the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission to be established within the Demilitarized Zone? That is all for the present.

COL WEBER:

The area your side suggested includes the area which our side suggested as the area for the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission and its supporting agencies. Thus the area your side suggested has the site where our side suggested for the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission and its supporting agencies as well as the site suggested by your side for the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission and its supporting agencies.

Our side is not now seeking to decide which of the two sites should be decided upon. As your side suggested on yesterday, this question can be negotiated without holding up the necessary work on the matters on which we are agreed.

COL JU:

You seem to have not understood my statement of yesterday as it was stated, so I am going to repeat my yesterday's statement.

I stated that the Military Armistice Commission should have its Headquarters at Panmunjom, and the Neutral Nations invited by both sides should be placed in principle under the control of its side and that the Neutral Nations Repatriations Commission also should have its Headquarters in Panmunjom.

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What must be pointed out is that our side considers it necessary to clearly divide first the area of the site of the Military Armistice Commission and the area must be firstly be jointly controlled and must not be within the jurisdiction of the civil police of the Demilitarized Zone of each side.

The reason of the consideration of our side is rather that the security personnel of both sides should bear the responsibility for the measures for the security of the neutral nations invited by both sides within a definite area rather than the security measures for the headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission.

COL WEBER: Can I ask that you repeat that again?

COL JU: The reason of our consideration is rather that the security personnel of both sides should bear the responsibility within definite areas for security measures for the headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission. Is that clear?

I will reinterpret the previous statement. The reason of our consideration is not only the security measures for the headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission but especially the security measures to be taken with responsibility by the security personnel of both sides within a definite area for the security of the neutral nations invited by both sides within this area.

COL WEBER: As our side understands the proposal just made by your side, your side proposes that the headquarters for the Military Armistice Commission, the Neutral Nations Supervisory



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Commission and the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission should be in an area centered around Panmunjom and that area should be excluded from the jurisdiction of the civil police and made the responsibility of the security forces to be furnished and maintained by both sides for that area. Is our side's understanding correct?

COL JU: Your understanding of my statement is correct.

COL WEBER: In our proposal to your side, our side suggested that the site of the Military Armistice Commission should be in the Koman-dong area. Our side gave a number of reasons why it considered that site to be desirable. Our side believes that these reasons were good reasons. Our side has considered the proposal of your side for the site to be at Panmunjom. Our side has weighed the reasons given by your side for the selection of the site of Panmunjom. Our side believes that for the reasons our side has given, the selection of the Koman-dong area would best serve the Armistice needs by our side and your side and the Neutral Nations.

COL JU: I have a question to raise.

We would like to know what your side thinks should be the scale of the buildings of the headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission.

COL WEBER: Our side has proposed sixteen by fifty feet tents as the meeting place for the Military Armistice Commission and similar tents for the other affiliated agencies. The tents will be framed and screened. We have a rough drawing which better illustrates the type of frame work which we will be glad to show you. (Hands sketch to Col JU.)

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COL JU: (indicating part of sketch) What is going to be the roof?  
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COL BRUGGER: The roof will be tin and canvas.

COL JU: What is this for?

COL BRUGGER: That is screen.

COL METCALFE: This is the sidewall and this part is screen.

COL JU: I would like to know how many of such buildings will be specifically made for the headquarters of the Armistice Commission.

COL WEBER: And its agencies?

COL JU: Yes, how many buildings are required concretely?

COL WEBER: There are five such tents proposed for joint usage, two—one each for the Military Armistice Commission and Secretariat, two for the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission, one to be used by the prisoner of War, Displaced Civilian and Red Cross Committees. If we continue using such delegations and staff officers' conferences, we will need more. They can be built quickly.

COL JU: Our side considers that definite areas must be decided upon in each part of the Demilitarized Zone as the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission for the camps and meeting places of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission and for the camps and meeting places for the Neutral Nations Repatriation, and then the areas must be jointly guarded by the security personnel of both sides. Thus the order and security must be maintained.

On the basis of this principle, our side presented to your side the areas which our side considered to be adequate



COL JU:  
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with the map centering around Panmunjom where the meetings of the Commission as well as where the meetings of staff officers are being held, including Koman-dong proposed by your side. In this area there should be ten security officers and ninety security personnel from each side who should be responsible for the security. I now hand you a map of this area. (Hands map to Col Weber.)

The reason why we think that Panmunjom is adequate for the headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission and the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission is that the military armistice negotiations have been going on more than two years in Panmunjom and Panmunjom is also a place convenient for the Commission and there are also buildings already constructed which can be used and it is a place where, should we need further construction of the buildings, the buildings can be built within a short time without much work. And, there is enough space for the headquarters without lacking space.

For these reasons, our side holds that, as a site for the headquarters, Panmunjom is more appropriate than Koman-dong.

As to the camps of the neutral nations, I think the Neutral Nations invited by each side can, in each part of the Demilitarized Zone, construct them where they want but the areas where these camps are to be established must be definite areas. I mean by that, our side holds that they should be established within agreed areas. For that reason our side handed your side a map showing that area. I believe this area can soon be agreed upon.

COL WEBER: Does your proposal include that the areas to be leased by

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the security personnel shall be outside the jurisdiction of the civil police?

COL JU:

Our proposal is that civil police should be excluded from the area of the Military Armistice Commission which is to be guarded by the security personnel. That means the personnel of the civil police should be excluded. The civil police has nothing to do with the safeguarding of that area.

COL WEBER:

During the Armistice negotiations, only belligerents were involved. Now that the Armistice is a reality, Neutral Nations are involved as well as the belligerents. It must be borne in mind that the Neutral Nations are executing their duties voluntarily. In all probability, they have views of their own. The area in which they must work as well as the area in which both sides must work is the Demilitarized Zone. This zone is marked by a Demarcation Line. Our proposal recognizes that the Demarcation Line is the dividing line between the belligerents. The Neutral Nations cannot object to its observance by our side and your side.

COL JU:

Can you give us a copy of that diagram. (Indicates the diagram.)

COL WEBER:

This one? (Indicates diagram on table.) Yes.

COL JU:

We appreciate it.

COL WEBER:

Can we have this? (Indicates map on table.)

COL JU:

Yes.

COL WEBER:

We accept it.

COL JU:

If there isn't any other question to discuss, I propose



(CONT'D) that we recess until tomorrow.

COL WEBER: We agree.

(Meeting adjourned at 1838 hours.)

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FOURTH STAFF OFFICERS' MEETING ON RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES REQUIRED IN THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE BY THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION AND THE AGENCIES ESTABLISHED BY THE ARMISTICE, HELD AT PANMUNJOM, KOREA, 31 July 1953.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION  
UNITED NATIONS COMPONENT  
KOREAN PEOPLE'S ARMY  
CHINESE PEOPLE'S VOLUNTEERS:

UNITED NATIONS:

COL J K Weber, USA  
COL S L Metcalfe, USA  
COL E J Brugger, USA

COL Ju Yon, NKA  
COL Hsu Ming, CPV

Meeting reconvened at 1400 hours.

COL WEBER: Our side would like to ask some questions to clarify our understanding of your proposal.

Is it your proposal that this be considered as a zone, or is that simply the space in which the areas for respective Neutral Nations living quarters, etc., of both sides are to be located?

COL JU: Our proposal is that the area should be an area within which will be the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the Headquarters and billets of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission, and the Headquarters and billets of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission.

In other words, the same as the conference site area during the negotiations. The reason why the area is rectangular is that on the north it reaches the boundary of the Demilitarized Zone of our side, and on the south it reaches the boundary of the Demilitarized Zone of your side, and is convenient for security measures of both sides as well as the other administrative measures.

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COL WEBER:

At yesterday's meeting your side stated that, as to the camps of the Neutral Nations, you think the Neutral Nations invited by each side can, in each part of the Demilitarized Zone, construct them where they want, but the areas where these camps are to be established must be definite areas. Is it your proposal that the location of the camps of the Neutral Nations be in this rectangular area?

COL JU:

I think your understanding of our proposal is correct. That means the buildings should be constructed within the area as indicated on the map of our side.

COL WEBER:

I desire to ask another question. Does your proposal contemplate that the area within the boundary of the proposed zone be a zone such as the circle that is now around Panmunjom? For example, suppose the Joint Observer Teams desired to go from, say, this point to this point (points to map); would they be permitted to go straight across the zone under your proposal or would they be obliged to go outside of the zone, presumably by passing behind our boundary lines, or, vice versa, your boundary lines?

COL JU:

We must recognize that the Joint Observer Teams and all belong to the Military Armistice Commission. What I stated yesterday was not that the area should be controlled by the civil police but that by deploying security personnel in this area the security of such organs as the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations



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Supervisory Commission, and the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission. As to the question that Joint Teams can go through this area, that is no question at all. I think that they can pass through the area.

COL WEBER:

Our side believes that the camps of the Neutral Nations can be located on each side of the Demarcation Line within the area indicated on your map. Our side does not want to be understood as approving the area as a zone as there are many questions of supply, etc., with which each side is confronted.

Our understanding is that the lines across the zone only mean that it is the area in which all buildings are to be constructed, and that the area should be protected by security police and not civil police, otherwise there is no difference from any other part of the Demilitarized Zone. Is our understanding correct?

COL JU:

I have a question to raise as to your statement. My proposal was that the security personnel of our side could cross the Demilitarized Zone to the south and act. I would like to know if your understanding is the same. Likewise, I proposed that the security personnel of your side could come to our part of the area and act; within the Demilitarized Zone.

COL WEBER:

Our side understood your proposal on the security guards to be a continuation of the arrangement now in existence in this area. As I understand it, at the present time there are no civilians within the circle of Panmunjom.



COL WEBER: As I understand it, within the boundary of this proposed area there will be civilians who are presently there and have crops or other things growing on the land. If they are within the total area, what is your proposal for securing the respective areas in which the Neutrals will have their camps?

COL JU: If your side has any good opinion about the question of the security within that area, we would like to hear first that opinion of yours.

COL WEBER: Our side has no opinion. Our side is seeking to get some basis where we can, both sides, agree on this security problem.

COL JU: Our side will study this question.

COL WEBER: Our side will do the same thing.

COL JU: If you have any other questions to raise, we are ready to hear it.

I have another thing to ask. My understanding of your statement is that the working personnel of both sides can have freedom of movement within the area determined by us, that means within the area guarded by the security personnel. Is my understanding correct?

COL WEBER: That is not my understanding of your proposal. That is one of the things I am seeking to clarify in my mind.

For example, the Military Armistice Commission decides who crosses over the Demarcation Line. Our side is eager to get started with the building of the quarters for our Neutral Nations on our side of the line.



(CONT'D) assume, likewise, your side is eager to get started with the building of the quarters on your side of the line for your neutrals. Can we agree that that work get started without delay?

COL JU: We agree to your proposal that within each part of the Demilitarized Zone each side should construct the buildings for the Neutral Nations of each side. Now I would like to understand more correctly your statement. Can the personnel of the Neutral Nations have the freedom of movement within that area?

COL WEBER: I can't understand your question.

COL JU: Shall I repeat my statement?

What I mean is that the persons of the Neutral Nations, that means the persons of the Neutral Nations invited by both sides, can have freedom of movement within any area where their billets and headquarters will be constructed.

COL WEBER: I didn't catch that question at all. I could make myself clear, I think. I understood from his proposal on yesterday that we use security guards for this entire area. Now the present Panmunjom area is much smaller than the proposed area and has no civilians in it. As I understand it, this proposed area has civilians in it and we are confronted with civilians in the territory even as we start the area. In our proposed place of camp sites for our Neutrals, we anticipated no particular security problem, as the civilians would not be within it. We are not concerned over his proposal for security guards;



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I have said what I said in connection with our consideration we are giving to this proposal.

COL JU: Our understanding is that within this area, like at Panmun-jom at the time of the negotiations, any personnel of both sides must have freedom of movement. The question of movement within the area proposed by our side is clearly stated in a paragraph of the Armistice Agreement. Now I read it; In Paragraph 11 it says: "The contents in this article shall not be construed to prevent the complete freedom of movement to, from, and within the Demilitarized Zone by the Military Armistice Commission, its assistants, its Joint Observer Teams with their assistants, the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission hereinafter established, its assistants, its Neutral Nations Inspection Teams with their assistants, or any other persons, material, and equipment specifically authorized to enter the Demilitarized Zone by the Military Armistice Commission.

COL WEBER: Our side is very well acquainted with the clause which your side just read. Our side does not question that clause.

COL JU: I hope your side will consider our proposal. If you haven't any other questions to present further, I suggest that we recess until tomorrow.

COL WEBER: Our side would like to know which proposal your side refers to when you say that you hope that our side considers your proposal.



COL JU:

It is my understanding that as to the questioned proposal by our side, we are substantially in agreement. But one issue in which we are not in agreement is the question of having the site the Headquarters of the Armistice Commission in Panmunjom. If we reach an agreement on this question the discussion of the construction of the buildings will be over I think. This is precisely the remaining part of our proposal which requires your consideration.

COL WEBER:

Our side believes that we are in agreement with your side with most of the subjects except the exact location of the Headquarters for the Military Armistice Commission, the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission and the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission. We have proposed to your side our proposal for the location of these Headquarters and the reasons therefor. If your side is not prepared to discuss this topic further this afternoon, our side will agree to the recess until tomorrow.

COL JU:

We agree.

Meeting adjourned at 1652 hours.



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FIFTH STAFF OFFICERS' MEETING ON RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES REQUIRED IN THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE BY THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION AND THE AGENCIES ESTABLISHED BY THE ARMISTICE, HELD AT PANMUNJOM, KOREA, 2 AUGUST 1953.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

UNITED NATIONS:

COL J K Weber, USA  
COL S L Metcalfe, USA  
COL E J Brugger, USA

KOREAN PEOPLE'S ARMY  
CHINESE PEOPLE'S VOLUNTEERS

COL Ju Yon, NKA  
COL Hsu Ming, CPV

Meeting convened at 1025 hours.

COL WEBER:

Our side has a statement to make.

The major problem upon which this committee has not agreed is the location of the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission, and the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission. Our side considers that the only location for these Headquarters which is completely in accord with the Armistice Agreement is a location astride the Military Demarcation Line.

Our side proposes that the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission and of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission be placed astride the Military Demarcation Line.

Does your side agree?

COL JU:

We agree to your proposal that the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission and the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission all be at the



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same place.

Sub-paragraph 25 a provides where the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission should be. I now quote:

"...locate its Headquarters in the vicinity of Panmunjom. (37 degrees 57' 29" north parallel and altitude 126 degrees 40' 00" longitude east."

There is no provision in the Armistice Agreement that the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission should be located on the Military Demarcation Line.

COL WEBER:

Our side considers the problem facing this Committee is the location of the Headquarters. If your side is not prepared to agree to placing the Headquarters astride the Military Demarcation Line, our side shall refer this problem to the Military Armistice Commission.

Have you anything further?

COL JU:

Since we are in agreement that the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission, and the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission be all in one place, I cannot find any reason why the question of constructing them in the vicinity of Panmunjom should be referred to the Military Armistice Commission when they could be fully settled by the Staff Officers.

COL WEBER:

Since we are not in agreement that the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission, and the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission be located astride the Military Demarcation Line, our side is obliged to report to the Military Armistice Commission our inability



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to decide this controlling question. Our side suggests that this Staff Officers' Meeting recess until further orders from the Military Armistice Commission.

COL JU:

In conformity with the agreement, the location of the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission can be decided upon by Staff Officers of both sides by order of the Senior Members of the Armistice Commission. We are also in agreement that as to the location of the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission and of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission, we should hear the views of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission. The Neutral Nations invited by both sides have already arrived. We can hear their views. I again suggest that the issue should not be discussed only at a meeting of both sides, but for the settlement of the question of where the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, that of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission and that of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission should be, we should survey the terrain conditions directly.

The next point I want to bring up is that your side said the Headquarters would require five buildings. At the same time, both sides were in agreement that, as to the expenses of buildings required by the Headquarters, it should be shared jointly by both sides. Now the question is if five buildings are required, what should be the way of sharing the burden jointly?

We would like to hear your views as to this question.

COL WEHER:

Our side has noted your question.



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Since your side and our side are not in agreement that the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission and the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission be located astride the Demarcation Line, our side is obliged to report to the Military Armistice Commission our inability to decide this important question. Our side proposes that this Staff Officers' Meeting recess until further orders from the Military Armistice Commission

COL JU: I have asked you how the expenses of the construction of the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission should be borne jointly by both sides.

COL WEBER: Our side has noted the questions proposed by your side.

Since your side and our side are not in agreement that the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission, and the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission be located astride the Demarcation Line, our side again proposes that this Staff Officers' Meeting recess until further orders from the Military Armistice Commission.

COL JU: Our side proposes that at ten o'clock tomorrow morning, the Staff Officers of each side shall survey the terrain and that the Staff Officers meet again at three o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

COL WEBER: As your side and our side are not in agreement on the important question that the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission and the Headquarters of the Neutral



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Nations Repatriation Commission be located astride the Demarcation Line, our side is going to report such fact to the Military Armistice Commission.

COL JU:

Our side considers that for the reason that as to the question of locating the Headquarters astride the Military Demarcation line both sides are not in agreement, your side finds it not necessary for the staff officers to discuss the possibility of finding a change of both sides agreeing as well as discussing the question of taking the measures for the consideration, and our side considers that that is not necessary.

Our side has never refused the discussion by both sides of where the Headquarters should be located. In order to reach an agreement as to the question, we have proposed to survey the terrain conditions and to continue the meetings.

Our side also proposed that at ten o'clock tomorrow morning both sides should send the staff officers and survey the area proposed by your side and then, in order to reach an agreement after consideration by both sides, we also proposed that the staff officers could begin to continue the discussion at three o'clock in the afternoon tomorrow.

(Captain Coleman enters)

Now I have one thing to say to your Secretary.

In accordance with the reports from the fourth Observer Team sent by our side to Kyo Ho Dong which is the meeting place for the fourth Joint Observer Team and which is in the South of the Military Demarcation Line, your side has not yet cleared many mines.



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In our area north of the Military Demarcation Line, too, at present efforts are being made to completely clear away the hazards.

If the hazards in the region south of the Military Demarcation Line are not cleared away, it would be difficult for the Joint Observer Team to meet. I would appreciate it if your side could raise this question to the Military personnel of your side.

CAPT COLEMAN:

At the conclusion of your meeting on the subject of construction, I would like to have you join me in looking at the map so that I can be sure of the area to which you refer. I will then direct our personnel in our part of the area south of the Demilitarized Zone to complete such mine clearance as might be necessary in order that Joint Observer Team Number Four can conduct its meeting.

COL JU:

The area where the mines have not yet been cleared away is around Kye Ho Dong. Since it is clearly shown on the map as a place where Observer Team Number Four are to meet in accordance with the Agreement I think that it is no issue which needs further explanation.

CAPT COLEMAN:

Is the difficulty that the mines are in the highway or route over which the Team Components from your side must pass after it crosses the Military Demarcation Line in going to the point of the first meeting.

COL WEBER:

The important question upon which your side and our side cannot agree is that the location of the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission and the Neutral Nations Supervisory



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Commission be located astride the Demarcation Line. When this important question is decided, surveys can be made on the sites proposed by your side and our side. As your side and our side are unable to decide this important and controlling question, our side is going to report such fact to the Military Armistice Commission for decision. After that decision is made by the Military Armistice Commission, the Military Armistice Commission can direct this Staff Officers' Meeting to work out the details.

COL JU: I have noted your statement.

COL WEBER: Then we will recess.

COL JU: We agree.

Meeting recessed at 1205 hours.



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SIXTH STAFF OFFICERS' MEETING ON RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES REQUIRED IN THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE BY THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION AND THE AGENCIES ESTABLISHED BY THE ARMISTICE, HELD AT PANMUNJOM, KOREA

4 AUGUST 1953

Members Present:

UNITED NATIONS:

COL J K WEBER, USA  
COL S L METCALFE, USA  
COL E J BRUGGER, USA

KOREAN PEOPLE'S ARMY  
CHINESE PEOPLE'S VOLUNTEERS:

COL JU YON, NKA  
COL HSU MING, CPV

Meeting convened at 1335 hours.

COL WEBER:

I have a statement to make.

In order that the minutes of this Staff Officers' Meeting reflect the proceedings, our side suggests that the record of minutes show that, since the last meeting, our side and your side have agreed substantially that the locations of the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission, and the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission should be located astride the Military Demarcation Line; that this agreement was reached by the Staff Officers, without referring such matter to the Military Armistice Commission; that, since the last Staff Officers' Meeting, your side and our side have presented to each other the technical officers for dispatch to the spot for a survey of the terrain features. This meeting of the technical officers took place at the conference site at approximately 1515 hours. The technical officers for our side were Colonel R. W. Biggs and Colonel E. J. Brugger. The technical officers from your side were a Lieutenant Colonel and a Lieutenant. After being

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presented to each other, the technical officers departed to the site.

If your side agrees that these minutes are correct, our side suggests that you say in the record the name of your two technical officers.

COL JU:

In order to speedily complete the construction of the Headquarters, our side, after consideration, substantially agreed to your proposal for changing the place from Panmunjom, which is where the negotiations have been going on for more than two years and where there are already buildings and which is convenient for the communications, to another area.

Since both sides are in agreement as to the site of the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission, and the Headquarters of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission, the remaining question is how both sides should share the buildings of the Headquarters. And, if that question is settled, I consider that we can immediately start the work.

I would like to hear from your side how both sides should bear the expense.

COL WEBER:

One method would be for your side to build one building or tent, and our side build one building or tent. Our side believes that the engineers of both sides should meet and disclose to each other the proposed plans of each side and seek to work-out the technical details, and report to this Staff Officers' Committee.

If possible, both sides should have the same type of buildings or tents.

COL JU:

I think if the number of the buildings to be jointly



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I would like to ask your side if you have ever thought of how many of the buildings to be used by both sides should there be? I would like to know your views.

COL WEBER:        Our side considers six buildings or tents - one for the Military Armistice Commission meeting place, one for the Joint Secretariat, one for the Prisoner of War, Displaced Civilians and Red Cross, two for the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission, and one for the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission.

COL JU:            We mean to construct the six buildings in accordance with the diagram you have given to me and can you think of any other diagrams?

COL WEBER:        Our side has no other plan at this time. That was one reason for our suggestion that the engineers on both sides should meet and seek to work out similar types of buildings or tents.

COL JU:            I want to say one thing more to leave it for the record.  
We agree to this area, but later if we want to make roads which run across the Military Demarcation Line, but in case we will have to cross the Military Demarcation Line, we will have to make a road crossing the Military Demarcation Line. Do we agree?

COL WEBER:        We understand that that was agreed yesterday by the technical men.

COL JU:

If the number of the buildings to be used jointly is six, and if the principle is established that three of them will be built by your side and three by our side, then we can reach an agreement substantially on the questions which are to be settled by the technical persons. And, of course, as to the use of the buildings, they can be jointly used. Our side proposes such a principle.

COL WEBER:

We are in agreement on six buildings.

COL JU:

It seems to me that you haven't quite understood my view. I said if six buildings are required. The principle I proposed was that; and, I didn't mean that six buildings are necessary. The six building proposal is a proposal proposed by your side.

As to the question of how many buildings there should be, we will first hear the views of our technical personnel, and then will give you our final views.

Apart from the buildings to be used jointly, each side can build the buildings required by that side in accordance with the number required by that side. Is your understanding the same?

COL WEBER:

That is correct.

COL JU:

I suggest that we recess.

COL WEBER:

For the day?

I want to ask one question. Our side has studied the proposal made by your side, that definite areas be decided upon for the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission and for the meeting place and the camps for the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission.



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and for the meeting place and camps of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission.

In the discussion at the Staff Officers Meeting between your side and our side on Friday, 31 July, 1953, your side clarified to our side your proposal that the Civil Police be excluded from the area for the Headquarters of the Military Armistice Commission, and for the meeting place and the camps for the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission, and the meeting place and the camps of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission. As our side now understands your proposal, your side suggests that the security of these definite areas be made the responsibility of a security force to which each side contributes officers and enlisted men. Your side suggested ten officers and ninety enlisted men be contributed by each side.

Your side proposed that the security personnel contributed by your side and our side have the same complete freedom of movement in the definite areas as those in Paragraph 11 of the Military Armistice Agreement.

Is our understanding of your proposal correct?

COL JU:

Your understanding of my statement is correct.

COL WEBER:

The Middle Teams of the Joint Red Cross wishes to meet at 0830 hours tomorrow morning. Our side suggests that the camp, south of the Military Armistice Commission conference building, be assigned to them for this meeting. Does your side agree?

COL JU:

As to the question of the time of the meeting, we will let your side know through the Security Officer.

(CONT'D) Does your side agree in increasing to ten security officers and ninety security personnel?

COL WEBER: Our side is merely getting your proposal fixed in our minds. Our side is giving consideration to your proposal.

Our side would like to ask one question with reference to the ninety personnel and ten officers.

Does your side contemplate that the 100, that is, ten officers and ninety enlisted men, shall be security guards, or shall be security guards and other support personnel such as mess personnel and communications personnel?

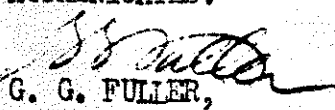
COL JU: Ten security officers and ninety security personnel, are armed personnel who would be charged with the maintenance of security and order, and such miscellaneous personnel as the communications personnel and mess personnel are included. But as for the miscellaneous personnel, if your side wants, they can be eliminated.

Meeting adjourned at 1450 hours.

OFFICIAL:

B. M. COLEMAN,  
Captain, USNR,  
Secretary.

AUTHENTICATED:

  
G. G. FULLER,  
Chief Ship's Clerk, USNR.